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The American-Hawaiian steamship Nevada, Captain J. S. Greene, on the bridge, entered port on Sunday and went on to the metropolis without any delay here. She will return down this week and load on 8000 cases of salmon at the A. & C. docks, for Eastern delivery. She brings 1209 tons of general cargo for Portland, in 14,265 packages; 149 tons for Tacoma, in 2359 packages; and 79 tons, for Seattle, in 13,481 packages. She left 800 tons marked for Portland at Salinas Cruz, having no room for it. Her cargo left New York on the 30th of October last. While she had some few tons for minor points in Oregon she carried nothing for Astoria this trip.

The towing steamer Shaver came down early yesterday morning with oil barge No. 3 and delivered that vessel to its consort, the steamship Atlas, which proceeded to sea and San Francisco with despatch. The Atlas behaved like a cow that had just found its lost calf when the Shaver and barge hove in sight off Tongue Point, and bellowed around the bay for nearly half an hour until she had got a line on it. Then she calmed down and went to sea quietly; with half the people in town growling anathema at her for waking them up from their morning sleep. A good stiff fine will go a long way to settle some of this idiotic whistling and it may be forthcoming if there is not a let-up to the nuisance.

The sea tug Geo. R. Vosburg is an oil-burner now, having been changed over at Portland in the last two to her dock, the Callender, at 2

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HOME CONDITIONS VERY PLAINLY STATED

WHAT THE MAN WITH FIXED INTEREST IN ASTORIA IS GOING UP AGAINST.

The following communication, from a deeply interested citizen, is given for the real good it may do in this home campaign; and because of its pertinence and solid directness:

"Astoria, Or. Dec. 1st 1908. "Editor Astorian:

Probably one of the most important events in the history of Astoria, far greater than the Seawall bill or other proposed amendments to the city charter, is the character of men to be selected on December 9, to manage the business affairs of the city. That a change is necessary is evidenced by the fact, that under a citizens administration for the past ten years Astoria has not yet advanced in commercial importance to which its situation and natural resources has entitled it to. This is due, to a large extent, upon the administration of city affairs. Capital seeking investment desires to be informed upon the financial condition of a city, its indebtedness, resources and opportunities guaranteeing an interest upon the investment.

"A city that is overwhelmingly in debt, with no immediate prospects of discharging that debt, with taxes in excess of any other city on the coast, levied to meet the interest on this indebtedness; with an administration that has made no effort to reduce the indebtedness but on the contrary, due to ignorance or inability to manage city affairs on business principles, has increased the indebtedness, until it has exceeded

o'clock yesterday afternoon after a quick and pleasant run up from California. She had 48 people in her cabins and plenty of freight for the metropolis.

The steam schooner Bowdoin arrived in on Sunday morning early, on her first voyage here from San Francisco, and went on to Portland, at once.

The steamer Alliance came down afloat on Sunday morning as usual and left out at once for Coos Bay points. Captain Ben Olsen was still on the bridge.

The steamer Breakwater (WITH her whistle), arrived in on Sunday morning from the Coos country, and went on to Portland after a brief stay here at the O. R. & N. pier. (She took her whistle with her.)

The Hammond liner Geo. W. Fenwick left port on Sunday morning, bound for Aberdeen, where she will finish loading for the California coast.

The motor boats Louise and Della are both on the ways at Leathers' yards, getting a thorough overhauling below their water-lines.

A Personal Appeal

If we could talk to you personally about the great merit of Foley's Honey and Tar, for coughs, colds and lung trouble, you never could be induced to experiment with unknown preparations that may contain some harmful drugs. Foley's Honey and Tar costs you no more and has a record of 40 years of cures. The amount allowed by the

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Oregon Dressed Spring Chickens...18c, 20c
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Oregon dressed Ducks...20c, 25c
Beef to boil...5c to 8c
Prime Rib Roast Beef...10c, 12c
Tenderloin flat-bone and sirloin steaks...10c
Government Inspected Kettle Rendered Lard, 5-lb. pails...70c
Small Pig Hams...17c
Best Breakfast Bacon...17c
Veal Roast...8c, 10c, 12c and 15c
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Mutton Roast...8c, 10c, 12c and 15c
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charter, certainly appeals to every voter interested in the future growth and prosperity of the city to demand a change.

"According to the quarterly report of the Auditor and Police Judge the total indebtedness of the city of Astoria is approximately \$316,000. In order to bring it within the limitations of the charter, certain resources are claimed, such as city hall building, and other property owned by the city, mostly of fictitious value, also a large amount of money due on street improvements, which the city has bid in on account of the excessiveness of the assessment, and which will never be redeemed, and to which property, the city, under the law, can never acquire a title, makes these quarterly reports appear regular, especially to the advocates of the citizens party, but to any man, well versed in finances, compels him to withdraw investments and even loans on city property. While the excessive burdens of taxation is keenly felt by not only the large property owners, but the owners of small homes, it is nothing to the virtual confiscation of property engendered by street improvements far in excess of what the actual cost should be.

"Many enterprising citizens wonder why it is, that capital is not attached to Astoria for investment. It is a well established fact, that very little, if any, outside capital has been invested in Astoria during the past ten years. Capital will not invest in any city where there is a lax administration of municipal affairs, and where a large majority of home capital is unwilling to take any risks. They will not invest in a city which requires the entire 10 mill levy for current expenses and a seven mill levy for deficiencies. The fire department is an illustration worthy of careful consideration. It has cost the taxpayers during the past year, approximately \$18,000, while the appropriation was \$12,000. This deficiency must be made up by a special levy. It shows very clearly, not only in the fire department, but in every other department, a carelessness in the management of the finances of the city. Not only has the cost of maintaining every department of the city exceeded the appropriation, but the indebtedness of the city has been increased by nearly \$100,000 during the past year. This is all due to the administration of the citizens party.

"According to the registration books, about 1600 voters have registered. Of this number 1100 are Republicans. If a voter registers his politics, all things being even, he is supposed to vote his party ticket. Personal animosities and political differences should not be taken into consideration. No man can serve two masters. If he is a Republican, why not vote his party ticket, especially when this is the first year for more than 10 years, that the Republican party has had a straight ticket in the field. The ticket is composed of good, representative business men, many of whom were induced to run on the assurance that the Republicans would stand united, in order to secure a business administration of city affairs. If the Republicans are defeated at the city election this year, it will be impossible to secure representative business men to run two years from now. They not only lose faith in human nature, but in the honesty and integrity of Republican voters.

"This is the first time Republicans will have an opportunity to vote their condemnation of a reckless citizens administration, and a return to business principles as guaranteed by the Republican candidates. What Astoria needs, and what it must have, if it is to forge ahead, is a city administration, in the control of business men in whom the public have confidence, eliminating political chicanery and political pets, to the end, that confidence will be restored, which is not and cannot be expected under the citizens' regime. These are a few facts to be considered by the voters of Astoria with the hope that they will vote as they register, eliminating all factional differences.

"TAXPAYER."

Marked For Death

"Three years ago I was marked for death. A grave-yard cough was tearing my lungs to pieces. Doctors failed to help me, and hope had fled; when my husband got Dr. King's New Discovery," says Mrs. A. C. Williams, of Bac, Ky. "The first dose helped me and improvement kept on until I had gained 58 pounds in weight and my health was fully restored." This medicine holds the world's healing record for coughs and colds and lung and throat diseases. It prevents pneumonia. Sold under guarantee at Charles Rogers & Son's drug store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

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MEETS DEATH IN THE ICY RIVER

EMIGRATION INSPECTOR SEES MAN WALK OFF FROM 14TH STREET WHARF

A man was seen to walk off from the wharf at the foot of 14th street last night and drop into the waters of the river below. There was a splashing and then all was still. The river had claimed another victim.

It was Nello Johnson of the emigration department who witnessed the tragedy and he at once gave the alarm at the Scheidnager saloon, and several men hastened to the waterfront to see if it were not possible to save the man. Nothing was to be seen or heard.

The electric lights shine brightly on the wharf at the foot of 14th street and it hardly seems probable that Mr. Johnson could have made any mistake. It is probable that some man who was tired of life simply walked to the waterfront and stepped off into the cold waters below and was immediately swallowed within their icy grasp. The man wore a long dark overcoat, and more than that it was hardly possible to discern.

The description fits a man who has been acting in a peculiar manner for several days, and if he does not show up today it will be deemed almost conclusive that it was he who met a suicide's death last night.

Mrs. McRaney's Experience.

Mrs. M. McRaney, Prentiss, Miss., writes: "I was confined to my bed for three months with kidney and bladder trouble, and was treated by two physicians but failed to get relief. No human tongue can tell how I suffered, and I had given up hope of ever getting well until I began taking Foley's Remedy. After taking two bottles I felt like a new person, and feel it my duty to tell suffering women what Foley's Kidney Remedy did for me." T. F. Laurin, Owl Drug Store.

This is Worth Reading.

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